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House.

The New York World has published

an Albany special column and a

half to prove the availability of Gov-

ernor-elect Flower for President. Thus

Mr. Flower "is in it" earlier than many

expected.

"In the great industries the outlook

has improved" is the remark of the vet-

eran commercial agency of Dun & Co.

It is an ample offset to one of the In-

dianapolis papers whose political bias

led it to make a remark just the opposite.

Once in a while the tax-payer can learn

that the representatives of electric-light-

ing companies are holding conferences,

but he is not told why the present re-

gulation is paying more than 50 per cent.

more for electric lights than did the Repub-

lican government which preceded it.

The New York Times is distressed be-

cause the manufacturers of curry-combs

have combined to put up the wholesale

price. The Times ought to know that

the quadrupled which the Democratic

wranglers in Washington represent is

not of the variety upon which curry-

combs are worn out.

The Cleveland (O.) tin-plate com-

pany advertises for orders for bright

tin-plates, those from which tinware is

made, on which it will give quotations

which will be sure to suit customers.

Still, the free-trade organ will continue

the assertion that tin-plates are not

made in this country.

DURING this week several messages

purporting to be the one President Har-

rison will deliver will appear in the en-

terprising papers of the large cities of

this country. That of the President

will appear in the Journal on Tuesday

of next week, if the House is able to

organize in season to receive it.

If those gentlemen who quietly met to

oppose President Harrison's renomi-

nation would set themselves to write out

an address to the voters of Indiana, giv-

ing the reasons why Republicans should

not support him again, what would they

say? What have they to say against an

administration which every Republican

of national reputation approves?

The New York Advertiser says that

Mr. Cleveland is marshaling his forces

to capture the Democratic national con-

vention, and that his boom is rolling on

"very well" in New York. If Mr. Lam-

ont is chosen a member of the Demo-

cratic national committee, next week,

by the New York Democratic State

committee, which has been held to be-

long to Governor Hill, the Advertiser's

prediction is well founded. Republi-

cans rejoice in Mr. Cleveland's improved

prospects.

WHAT has happened of late that the

friends of Judge Gresham should have

become so ardent personal supporters

of Mr. Blaine? Do they imagine that

Mr. Blaine is Judge Gresham's choice

for the Republican candidacy, or have

they come to the conclusion that Mr.

Blaine's friends prefer Judge Gresham

to General Harrison? If so, when was

this wonderful face-about made? Isn't

it possible that a few usually rather

clever gentlemen are running the risk

of making themselves the object of

facetious remarks?

Ten days ago Jerry Simpson was in

this city predicting that forty members

of the next House would go into the

People's and Alliance caucus to nomi-

nate a candidate for Speaker of the

House, and that the action of the forty

would materially affect the speakership.

The political odds-and-ends which as-

sembled here week before last devoted

a session to consideration of a resolu-

tion instructing members of the next

House elected by Alliance constituencies

to vote for an Alliance candidate for

Speaker. Mr. Simpson has arrived in

Washington, and seems to have been

looking up the members-elect of his

new party. Instead of forty, he finds

nine, and the probability is that when

they vote for Speaker not more than

eight will vote for the Simpson candi-

date. And yet there is not an intelli-

gent man in the country who gives any

attention to political matters who has

not known for months just the number

of members who could be kept out of

the Democratic House caucus by the

Alliance leaders. If Mr. Simpson, Pres-

ident Polk and others did not know it,

it was because they were incapable of

grasping political facts of the plainest

sort. This claim of Simpson of forty

ten days by the confession that the forty

have dwindled to nine, ought to con-

vince any man with less than average

comprehension that all predictions and

claims relative to the so-called People's

party made by him and his associates

are entitled to no more credence than

the statements of "mates of an insane

asylum upon any topic requiring a bal-

anced mind.

THE PARTY OF FORTY-SEVEN.

It is claimed by the managers of the

secret meeting of Republicans held in

this city on Saturday that "there were

forty-seven representative Republicans

from every congressional district in the

State, and every man expressed himself

as being in favor of the nomination of

Blaine." The young men who got up

the meeting must have a very limited

acquaintance throughout the State if

they could not drum up more than forty-

seven Blaine men. It is a poor com-

pliment to the magnetic man from Maine

to imply that those figures represent

anything like the number of his friends

in Indiana, and if only forty-seven of

them saw fit to attend a meeting ostensibly

held in his interest, it must be be-

cause they distrusted the object of the

meeting or had not confidence in its

management.

Mr. Blaine has thousands of ardent

and enthusiastic friends in Indiana who

doubtless deprecate the unwise attempt

on the part of a few restless Republicans

to organize periodical booms for him in

hotel bedrooms, and to fix up his politi-

cal fortunes behind closed doors. Mr.

Blaine is a Republican, and so far as

remembered, he has never encour-

aged any movement in his inter-

est that was based on factional

feeling, or that tended to develop

such a feeling in the Republican party.

Moreover, it is not believed that he ever

lent his influence or the use of his name

to attacking any Republican adminis-

tration, much less one with which he is

himself connected. His self-styled

friends who met here on Saturday per-

mitted it to be understood and an-

ounced that they were "for anybody to

beat Harrison." From what the Journal

knows of Mr. Blaine's Republicanism

and of his relations to President Har-

rison, it believes he would repudiate

with scorn a movement ostensibly in his

interest that adopted such a motto as

that.

The true friends of Mr. Blaine in In-

diana were not represented among the

forty-seven who met behind closed

doors on Saturday. When his true

friends assemble, no hotel bedroom

will hold them. But they are not as-

sembling now to organize movements or

form clubs in his exclusive interest, nor

are they lending themselves, any more

than Mr. Blaine himself is, to attacks on

the present administration. They see, as

all good Republicans do, that the present

is no time to be organizing factional

movements in the Republican party,

but, on the contrary, that it is pre-em-

inently a time for Republicans to pull to-

gether and work together, and that one

of their first duties is to uphold and de-

fend the splendid administration of

President Harrison. Making war on a

Republican administration is a mighty

poor way to advance the interests of

the Republican party.

The Journal does not believe that the

forty-seven individuals who met here on

Saturday represent the mass of Mr.

Blaine's friends in this State, much less

the mass of Republicans. It does not

believe that in their present attitude

they represent anybody but themselves.

It knows to a certainty that the great

mass of the 275,000 Republican voters of

Indiana are proud of President Har-

rison's administration and a large ma-

jority of them are in favor of his renomi-

nation. When they conclude to make

themselves heard on the subject they

will not meet in a bedroom, and they

will not attempt to advertise their sup-

port of President Harrison by deifying

Mr. Blaine.

MILLS AND CRISP.

The contest over the speakership by

Democratic newspapers and spokesmen

generally affords Republicans instruct-

ive as well as interesting reading. A

number of Democratic papers are trying

to make it appear that while Mr. Mills

is a free-trader, Mr. Crisp is a revenue

reformer, and not a free-trader. The

Atlanta Constitution, which is support-

ing Mr. Crisp and is hostile to Mr. Mills,

recently contained the following:

"Mr. Mills is a free-trader. He made this

announcement while he was speaking in

a speech made in Cincinnati a few weeks

ago in behalf of the Democratic party. Mr.

Mills is a free-trader. He is a free trade

man. He is the difference between him

and other candidates and between him

and other Democrats. It is this test and

measure of Democracy. It is the doctrine

which, according to the humble By-

rum and the candid golding organ, makes

Mr. Mills a Democracy resplendent. Mr.

Mills has the courage of his convictions; he

is a free-trader, and he makes no bones